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FOR CU/IAP JONES FROM JORDAN

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SUBJECT: EVIDENCE OF EFFECTIVENESS IVG PROGRAM

1. FY 77 GRANTEE SECSTATE FOR SPORTS AND YOUTH JOAQUIM BARROS DE SOUSA HAS REPEATEDLY TOLD EMBOFFS THAT HE CONSIDERED HIS VISIT TO U.S. AS MOST WORTHWHILE. HIS BELIEF IN THE IMPORTANCE OF THE IVG PROGRAM IS SO GREAT THAT, IN THE SPIRIT OF MUTUALITY HE HAS ASKED EMBASSY TO EXTEND ALL-ENCOMPASSING INVITATION TO BELOW-MENTIONED TO VISIT PORTUGAL AS GUESTS OF HIS SECRETARIAT. STAY WOULD BE ONE WEEK'S DURATION AND WOULD INCLUDE LISBON, COIMBRA, OPORTO AND FIGUIERA DA FOZ STOPOVERS VISITING SPORTING COMPLEXES AND ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS. INVITATIONS ARE FOLLOW-UP TO THOSE EXTENDED PERSONALLY BY SECSTATE DE SOUSA WHILE ON IV GRANT.

2. SECSTATE DE SOUSA REALIZES DIFFICULTY IN HAVING FOUR EXTREMELY BUSY PEOPLE ORGANIZE SAME WEEK-LONG SCHEDULE BREAK. HOWEVER, HE SUGGESTS WE STRIVE FOR THEIR CONCURRENCE FOR WEEK JUNE 17-25 WITH VISIT SUNDAY JUNE 25 TO FIGUIERA DA FOZ ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL FAIR WHEN PRIME
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MINISTER MARIO SOARES WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE TO OFFICIALLY CLOSE. DE SOUSA, CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF SOARES, WOULD ARRANGE PRIVATE MEETING OF VISITORS WITH PRIME MINISTER.

3. REQUEST YOU CONTACT A.D. NIELSEN, JR., TELEPHONE (312) 498-6300, NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS; DR. LEONARD MILTON, TELEPHONE: (516) 482-5158, LONG ISLAND; CHARLES RAMBO,

PRESIDENT, AMERICAN COUNCIL ON INTERNATIONAL SPORTS,
TELEPHONE (202) 676-7246, WASHINGTON; AND HENRY BRANDIES,
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM DIRECTOR, COCA-COLA COMPANY, TELEPHONE
(404) 897-2121, ATLANTA, RELAYING SECSTATE DE SOUSA'S INVITATION
WHILE ATTEMPTING AT SAME TIME ASCERTAIN THEIR ACCEPTANCE IN PRINCIPLE
AND POSSIBILITY MAKING JUNE 17-25 TIMING.
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